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A
FAMILY LITURGY;
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BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER,
For the Use of Members of
THE
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IN THE
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TO WHICH ARE ADDED THE
FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES, AND
A SELECTION OF THE OCCASIONAL PRAYERS,
AND THANKSGIVINGS, AND COLLECTS,
SET FORTH IN THE PRAYER BOOK.

But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.
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HAVE YOU SET UP AN ALTAR IN YOUR HOUSE ?

EXTRACTS FROM THE

PREFACE

TO THE ORIGINAL COMPILATION.

“OUR Reformers,” says a venerable dignitary of the Church,* “were clearly of opinion, and I believe that no one has ever tried the experiment without witnessing to its success, that the constant reiteration of the same prayers, if men combine with one heart and one voice in giving them meaning and utterance, infuses rather a relish than a distaste for their use.”

Connected with these observations, we may affirm that this habitual and steady training to the use of our admirable Liturgy in the household, must conduce to its more faithful and profitable employment in the sanctuary; while, from its being thus constantly in the hands, and we will hope in the hearts, of both young and old of our communion, there will be fostered that regard for soundness of doctrine, and that reverence for soberness and order which characterizes our Ritual, and is a distinguishing feature in the framework of the Church. There is, too, a comfort and satisfaction in the thought that all,

* Archdeacon R. J. Wilberforce.

however separated and distant, in using the same form of devotion, will be addressing their petitions to Almighty God, as it were, with one voice; a circumstance which must, with his blessing, conduce to the realization of that unity of spirit which is so constantly a subject of our prayers and hopes.

While this compilation is more particularly designed for the purposes of Family Devotion, it will be perceived that it is equally appropriate for Sunday Schools, and it might also be used with advantage in the visitation of Hospitals and Gaols, where time might not be allowed for the use of the full Morning or Evening Prayer.—The work has been contracted within the narrowest possible space, on grounds of economy; so that, from the smallness of the expense, each member of a family may be furnished with a copy.

FAMILY LITURGY.

The Head of the Family will commence by reading the following Sentences.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Then shall be said the General Confession (all kneeling) each person present repeating the several petitions after the Head of the Family.

LET US PRAY.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we

ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done: And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Or this.

O most mighty God and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses. receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to Thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us, therefore, good Lord, spare Thy people whom Thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgment with Thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn Thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with Thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Here the Absolution may be pronounced by a Bishop or Priest, if one be present—else

Then shall follow this prayer.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord.

*The Family to answer here, and at the end of all other prayers,
Amen.*

*Then shall follow the Lord's Prayer, each petition being repeated by
all present, as in the General Confession.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall be said,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

Answer. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Then, all standing up, shall be said,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

Answer. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's name be praised.

Then shall follow the Psalms for the day, or a Selection from them, the verses to be read alternately by the Head of the Family, and the other persons present; each Psalm to be concluded with Gloria Patri.*

Then may be read a chapter, or portion of a chapter, from the Old Testament at Morning Prayer, and from the New Testament at Evening Prayer; it being recommended that the Scriptures should be regularly gone through with.

N. B.—The Psalms and portion of the Scripture may be omitted on Sundays, in cases where the Family have the means of attending Church; if they be so circumstanced that they cannot do so, it is recommended that the full Morning and Evening Prayer, according to the Prayer Book, be used on Sundays.

After this, all standing up, the Head of the Family shall say the Apostles' Creed,—all present joining with him.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified,

* See Table of Selections at end of the book, in the Appendix.

dead, and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day he rose from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church, The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Or the Nicene Creed, as follows.

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lqrd Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made; Who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Then, all kneeling, the Head of the Family shall say,

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be said, from the Prayer Book, the Collect for the day, to be followed by the following:

IN THE MORNING.

A Collect for Peace.

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our ene-

IN THE EVENING.

A Collect for Peace.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace, which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey

mies ; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Grace.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day ; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power ; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger ; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

A Collect for Aid against Perils.

*O Lord, our heavenly Father, by whose Almighty power we have been preserved this day ;** By thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night ; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

* Instead of the words in italics in the *Collect for Aid against Perils*, the English service hath—*Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and, &c.*

On Sundays, when this service is used, and on Wednesdays and Fridays, shall be introduced here, at Morning Prayer, the following Petitions from the Litany.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our fore-fathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost.

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church uniyersal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and show it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our

use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Answer. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

Then shall be said, except when the Petitions from the Litany are used,

A Prayer for all Conditions of Men.

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for *thy holy Church universal*;* that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the

* Or, as in the English book,—*the good estate of the Catholic Church.*

way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Here shall be said, from the Prayer Book, the special Prayers, if any, proper at the time.

Then shall follow,

A General Thanksgiving.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; [*and for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom;*] but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we

may show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives: by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Here shall be said, from the Prayer Book, the Special Thanksgivings, if any, proper at the time.

A Prayer of ST. CHRYSOSTOM.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, That when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

FORMS OF PRAYER

TO BE USED IN FAMILIES.

MORNING PRAYER.

The Master or Mistress having called together as many of the Family as can conveniently be present, let one of them, or any other whom they shall think proper, say as follows, all kneeling.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, in *Acknowledg-*
whom we live and move and have our *ment of God's*
being; We, thy needy creatures, render *mercy and pre-*
thee our humble praises, for thy pre- *servation, espe-*
servation of us from the beginning of *cially through*
our lives to this day, and especially for having deli- *the night past.*
vered us from the dangers of the past night. To thy

* *When disturbances of any kind befall a family, instead of this, say, that notwithstanding our dangers, we are brought in safety to the beginning of this day.* watchful providence we owe it,* (that no disturbance hath come nigh us or our dwelling; but that we are brought in safety to the beginning of this day.) For these thy mercies, we bless and magnify thy glorious Name; humbly beseeching thee to accept this our morning sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; for his sake who lay down in the grave, and rose again for us, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Dedication of soul and body to God's service, with a resolution to be growing daily in goodness. AND, since it is of thy mercy, O gracious Father, that another day is added to our lives; We here dedicate both our souls and our bodies to thee and thy service, in a sober, righteous, and godly life: in which resolution, do thou, O merciful God, confirm and strengthen us; that, as we grow in age, we may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Prayer for grace to enable us to perform that resolution. BUT, O God, who knowest the weakness and corruption of our nature, and the manifold temptations which we daily meet with; We humbly beseech thee to have compassion on our infirmities, and to give us the constant assistance of thy Holy Spirit; that we may be effectually restrained from sin, and excited to our duty. Imprint upon our hearts such a

dread of thy judgments, and such a grateful sense of thy goodness to us, as may make us both afraid and ashamed to offend thee. And, above all, keep in our minds a lively remembrance of that great day, in which we must give a strict account of our thoughts, words, and actions; and according to the works done in the body, be eternally rewarded or punished, by him whom thou hast appointed the Judge of quick and dead, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

IN particular, we implore thy grace and protection for the ensuing day. Keep us *For grace to guide and keep us the following day, and for God's blessing on the business of the same.* temperate in our meats and drinks, and diligent in our several callings. Grant us patience under any afflictions thou

shalt see fit to lay on us, and minds always contented with our present condition. Give us grace to be just and upright in all our dealings; quiet and peaceable; full of compassion; and ready to do good to all men, according to our abilities and opportunities. Direct us in all our ways, *(and

prosper the works of our hands in the ** On Sunday morning, instead of this, say, and* business of our several stations.) De- *let thy Holy Spirit accompany us to the place* fend us from all dangers and adversities; and be graciously pleased to take us, and all things belonging to us, under *of thy public worship, making us serious and attentive, and raising our minds from the thoughts of this world to the consideration of the next, that we may fervently join in the prayers and praises of thy Church, and listen to our duty with honest hearts, in order to practise it.*

thy fatherly care and protection. These things, and whatever else thou shalt see necessary and convenient to us, we humbly beg, through the merits and mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

EVENING PRAYER.

The Family being together, a little before bed time, let the Master or Mistress, or any other whom they shall think proper, say as follows, all kneeling.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Most merciful God, who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and hast promised forgiveness to all those who confess and forsake their sins; We come before thee in an humble sense of our own unworthiness, acknowledging our manifold transgres-

sions of thy righteous laws.* But, O * Here let him who reads make a short pause, that every one may secretly confess the sins and failings of that day.
 gracious Father, who desirest not the death of a sinner, look upon us, we beseech thee, in mercy, and forgive us all our transgressions. Make us deeply

sensible of the great evil of them; and work in us an hearty contrition; that we may obtain forgiveness at thy hands, who art ever ready to receive humble and penitent sinners; for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

AND lest, through our own frailty, or Prayer for grace the temptations which encompass us, to reform and we be drawn again into sin, vouchsafe grow better.

us, we beseech thee, the direction and assistance of thy Holy Spirit. Reform whatever is amiss in the temper and disposition of our souls; that no unclean thoughts, unlawful designs, or inordinate desires, may rest there. Purge our hearts from envy, hatred, and malice: that we may never suffer the sun to go down upon our wrath; but may always go to our rest in peace, charity, and good-will, with a conscience void of offence towards thee, and towards men: That so we may be preserved pure and blameless, unto the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

AND accept, O Lord, our intercessions The Intercession.
 for all mankind. Let the light of thy

Gospel shine upon all nations; and may as many as have received it, live as becomes it. Be gracious un-

to thy Church; and grant that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may serve thee faithfully. Bless all in authority over us; and so rule their hearts and strengthen their hands, that they may punish wickedness and vice, and maintain thy true religion and virtue. Send down thy blessings, temporal and spiritual, upon all our relations, friends, and neighbours. Reward all who have done us good, and pardon all those who have done or wish us evil, and give them repentance and better minds. Be merciful to all who are in any trouble; and do thou, the God of pity, administer to them according to their several necessities; for his sake who went about doing good, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Thanks-giving. To our prayers, O Lord, we join our unfeigned thanks for all thy mercies; for our being, our reason, and all other endowments and faculties of soul and body; for our health, friends, food, and raiment, and all the other comforts and conveniences of life. Above all, we adore thy mercy in sending thy only Son into the world, to redeem us from sin and eternal death, and in giving us the knowledge and sense of our duty towards thee. We bless thee for thy patience with us, notwithstanding our many and great provocations; for all the directions, assistances, and comforts of thy Holy Spirit; for thy continual care and watchful providence over us through the whole course of our lives; and par-

ticularly for the mercies and benefits of the past day: beseeching thee to continue these thy blessings to us; and to give us grace to show our thankfulness in a sincere obedience to his laws, through whose merits and intercession we received them all, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

IN particular, we beseech thee to con- *Prayer for*
tinue thy gracious protection to us this *God's protection*
night. Defend us from all dangers and *through the night*
following.
mischiefs, and from the fear of them; that we may enjoy such refreshing sleep as may fit us for the duties of the following day. Make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust; and grant us grace always to live in such a state, that we may never be afraid to die: so that, living and dying, we may be thine, through the merits and satisfaction of thy Son Christ Jesus, in whose Name we offer up these our imperfect prayers. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

On Sundays and on other days, when it may be convenient, it will be proper to begin with a Chapter, or part of a Chapter, from the New Testament.

SELECTION
OF
OCCASIONAL PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS,
AND COLLECTS.

Prayer for God's ministers. ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church; Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For a sick person. O FATHER of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, behold, visit, and relieve thy sick *servant*, for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy; comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness; preserve *him* from the temptations of the enemy; give *him* patience under *his* affliction; and, in thy good

time, restore *him* to health, and enable *him* to lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory. Or else give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, who art the giver of life, of *For a recovery*
health, and of safety; We bless thy *from sickness.*
Name, that thou hast been pleased to deliver from *his*
bodily sickness *this thy servant*, who now *desireth* to re-
turn thanks unto thee, in the presence of all thy peo-
ple. Gracious art thou, O Lord, and full of compas-
sion to the children of men. May *his heart* be duly
impressed with a sense of thy merciful goodness, and
may *he* devote the residue of *his* days to an humble,
holy, and obedient walking before thee; through Je-
sus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to
whom alone belong the issues of life and *For a sick child.*
death; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech
thee, with the eyes of mercy, upon the sick *child* for
whom our prayers are desired. Deliver *him*, O Lord,
in thy good appointed time, from *his* bodily pain, and
visit *him* with thy salvation; that if it should be thy
good pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may
live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by
serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* genera-
tion. Or else receive *him* into those heavenly habita-
tions, where the souls of those who sleep in the Lord
Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O

Lord, for the love of thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

For a person going to sea. O ETERNAL God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; we commend to thy Almighty protection, thy *servant*, for whose preservation on the great deep our prayers are desired. Guard *him*, we beseech thee, from the dangers of the sea, from sickness, from the violence of enemies, and from every evil to which *he* may be exposed. Conduct *him* in safety to the haven where *he* would be, with a grateful sense of thy mercies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

After a safe return from sea. MOST gracious Lord, whose mercy is over all thy works; We praise thy holy Name that thou hast been pleased to conduct in safety, through the perils of the great deep, *this thy servant*, who now *desirest* to return *his* thanks unto thee, in thy holy Church: May *he* be duly sensible of thy merciful providence towards *him*, and ever express *his* thankfulness by a holy trust in thee, and obedience to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For a person under affliction. O MERCIFUL God, and heavenly Father, who hast taught us in thy holy Word that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men; Look with pity, we beseech thee, upon the sorrows of thy *servant*, for whom our prayers are desired. In thy wisdom thou hast seen fit to visit *him* with trouble, and to bring distress upon *him*. Remem-

ber *him*, O Lord, in mercy; sanctify thy fatherly correction to *him*; endue *his* soul with patience under *his* affliction, and with resignation to thy blessed will; comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness; lift up thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O God, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered; *For spiritual aid to a happy death.*
Make us, we beseech thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncertainty of human life; and let thy Holy Spirit lead us through this vale of misery, in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our lives: That, when we shall have served thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience; in the communion of the catholic Church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a reasonable, religious, and holy hope; in favor with thee our God, and in perfect charity with the world. All which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE yield thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to *For the continuance of baptismal benefits.*
call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *these Persons*; that, being now born again, and made *heirs* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, *they* may continue thy *Servants*, and attain thy promises; through the same Lord Jesus Christ thy

Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, everlastingly. *Amen.*

For the Church. O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief Corner-Stone; Grant that, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, all Christians may be so joined together in unity of spirit, and in the bond of peace, that they may be an holy temple acceptable unto thee. And especially to this congregation present, give the abundance of thy grace; that with one heart they may desire the prosperity of thy holy Apostolic Church, and with one mouth may profess the faith once delivered to the Saints. Defend them from the sins of heresy and schism: let not the foot of pride come nigh to hurt them, nor the hand of the ungodly to cast them down. And grant that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; that so they may walk in the ways of truth and peace, and at last be numbered with thy Saints in glory everlasting; through thy merits, O blessed Jesus, thou gracious Bishop and Shepherd of our souls, who art with the Father and the Holy Ghost one God, world without end. *Amen.*

To convert us ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we *from sin.* may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last

day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; *For the understanding of the Scriptures.* Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O LORD Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that *That ministers may be fit, diligent, and successful.* the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths *For innocency and faithfulness.* of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death,

we may glorify thy holy Name ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For knowledge and Grace. O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee ; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Charity. O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth ; Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

For Contrition. ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent ; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the members of the Church. ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified ; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the

same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know *Imitation of*
is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to *saints.*
know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth,
and the life; that, following the steps of thy holy
Apostles, we may steadfastly walk in the way that
leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Je-
sus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, *Heavenly desires.*
that like as we do believe thy only-be-
gotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended in-
to the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind
thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who
liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one
God, world without end. *Amen.*

This may be said after any of the former.

O God, whose nature and property is ever to have
mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions;
and though we be tied and bound with the chain of
our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy
loose us; for the honor of Jesus Christ, our Mediator
and Advocate. *Amen.*

APPENDIX.

TABLE OF SELECTIONS FROM THE PSALMS, FOR EVERY DAY OF THE MONTH, CONTAINED IN THE FAMILY LITURGY, FROM WHICH THE PRECEDING SELECTION OF PRAYERS IS ALTERED.

Day.	Morning.	Evening.	Day.	Morning.	Evening.
1	Ps. 3.	Ps. 8.	17	Ps. 87.	Ps. 89, to v. 20
2	" 11.	" 13.	18	" 92.	" 93.
3	" 16.	" 18, to v. 7	19	" 95.	" 98.
4	" 19.	" 23.	20	" 103.	" 104, to v. 16
5	" 24.	" 27.	21	" 105, to v. 11	" 106, to v. 12
6	" 30.	" 32.	22	" 107, to v. 16	" 108.
7	" 36.	" 37, fr. v. 27	23	" 111.	" 115.
8	" 39.	" 42.	24	" 116.	" 119, to v. 17
9	" 46.	" 48.	25	" 119, v. 49—65	" 119, v. 73—81
10	" 51.	" 54.	26	" 119, v. 129—145	" 119, v. 145—153
11	" 56.	" 61.	27	" 122.	" 127.
12	" 63.	" 67.	28	" 132.	" 137.
13	" 63, to v. 11	" 69, fr. v. 30	29	" 140.	" 143.
14	" 71, fr. v. 10	" 73, fr. v. 13	30	" 144.	" 146.
15	" 75.	" 78, to v. 13	31	" 148.	" 149, and 150.
16	" 79	" 84.			

 For convenience, the above Selections should be marked in the Psalters used by the Family.

TABLE OF THE DAYS OF THE FESTIVALS.

St. Andrew,.....	Nov. 30	St. Peter,	June 29
St. Thomas,.....	Dec. 21	St. James,.....	July 25
Christmas,.....	" 25	St. Bartholomew,.....	Aug. 24
St. Stephen,.....	" 26	St. Matthew,.....	Sept. 21
St John Evangelist,...	" 27	St. Michael and All }	" 29
Holy Innocents,.....	" 28	Angels,	" 29
Circumcision,.....	Jan. 1	St. Luke,.....	Oct. 18
Epiphany,.....	" 6	St. Simon and St. Jude,.	" 28
Conversion of St. Paul,.	" 25	All Saints,	Nov. 1
Purification,	Feb. 2	All Sundays in the year.	
St. Matthias,	" 24	Ascension Day, (Thursday,	40
Annunciation,.....	Mar. 25	days after Easter.)	
St. Mark,.....	April 25	Monday and Tuesday in Easter	
St. Philip and St. James,May	1	week.	
St. Barnabas,.....	June 11	Monday and Tuesday in Whit-	
St. John, Baptist,.....	" 24	sun week.	

A TABLE OF FASTS.

- 1st. The forty days of Lent.
- 2d. The Ember days at the four seasons, being the Wednesday, Friday and Saturday after the first Sunday in Lent, the Feast of Pentecost, (or Whitsunday,) Sept. 14, and Dec. 13.
- 3d. The three Rogation days, being the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, before Holy Thursday, or the Ascension of our Lord.
- 4th. All the Fridays in the year, except Christmas day.

NOTE.

PSALM CXIX

Has not the verses numbered throughout as in the English Prayer Book. The following parts of it are the selections for the evening of the 24th day, and for the 25th and 26th days of the month—viz:

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
24 Evening. Parts 1 and 2. *Beati immaculati, and In quo corrigit.*

25 Morning. “ 3 and 4. Of the portion appointed for the morning of the 25th day. *Memor esto servi tui, and Portio mea Domine.*

- - Evening. Part 1. Of Evening portion—*Manus tuæ fecerunt me.*

26 Morning. Parts 4 and 5. Of Morning portion—*Mirabilia and Justus es, Domine.*

— Evening Part 1. Of Evening portion—*Clamavi in toto corde meo.*

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